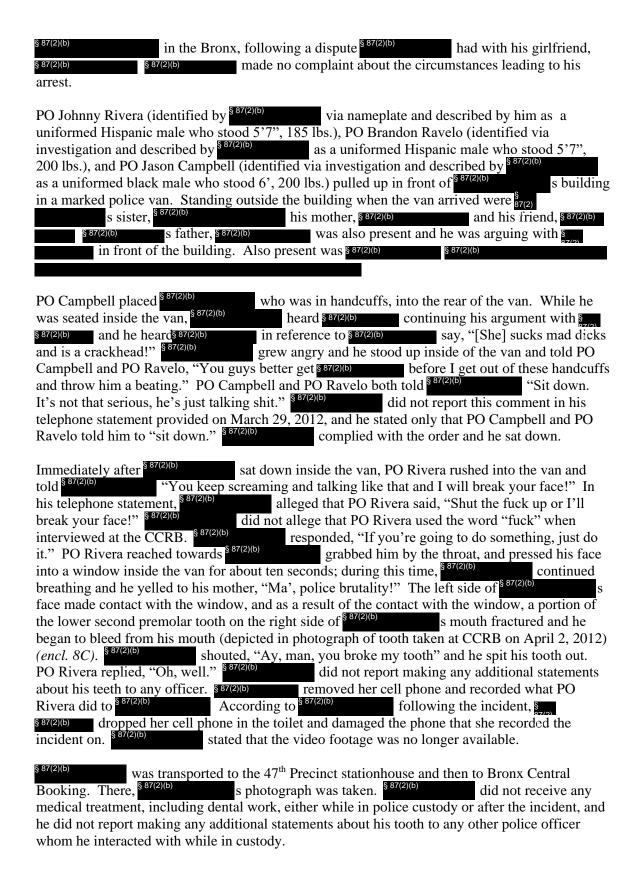
CCRB INVESTIGATIVE RECOMMENDATION

Investigator:		Team:	CCRB Case #:	 F	orce	☑ Discourt.	☐ U.S.
Jonathan Phillips		Team # 6	201202500	 ☑ A	buse	O.L.	☐ Injury
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Incident Date(s)		Location of Incident:		Pre	ecinct:	18 Mo. SOL	EO SOL
Sunday, 02/26/2012 4:04 PM		§ 87(2)(b)			47	8/26/2013	8/26/2013
Date/Time CV Reported		CV Reported At:	How CV Reported:	: D	ate/Time	Received at CCl	RB
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Complainant/Victim	Type	Home Addre	ess				
Witness(es)		Home Addre	ess				
Subject Officer(s)	Shield	TaxID	Command				
1. POM Johnny Rivera	09325	949548	PBBX				
2. POM Brandon Ravelo	26010	948409	PBBX				
3. POM Jason Campbell	08571	948738	PBBX				
4. POM Vicente Gonzalez	25245	948214	PBBX				
Witness Officer(s)	Shield N	o Tax No	Cmd Name				
1. POM Joseph Reeves	04500	949532	PBBX				
Officer(s)	Allegatio	on			Inve	stigator Recon	nmendation
A.POM Jason Campbell	Discourtesy: PO Jason Campbell spoke discourteously to \$87(2)(b)						
B.POM Brandon Ravelo	Discourtesy: PO Brandon Ravelo spoke discourteously to \$87(2)(b)						
C.POM Johnny Rivera	Abuse: PO Johnny Rivera threatened § 87(2)(b) with the use of force.						
D.POM Johnny Rivera	Force: PO Johnny Rivera used physical force against \$87(2)						
§ 87(4-b), § 87(2)(g)							

Case Summary

contacted the Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) over the telephone on February 27, 2012, and she reported the following incident on behalf of her son, [887(2)(b)] was a witness to the incident.
At approximately 4:04 p.m. on February 26, 2012, PO Joseph Reeves of Patrol Borough Bronx responded to a domestic dispute at street the Bronx and arrested street PO Johnny Rivera, PO Brandon Ravelo, and PO Jason Campbell – all of Patrol Borough Bronx – responded to the location and transported in their vehicle to the 47 th Precinct stationhouse. The following allegations resulted during this incident:
• Allegation A: Discourtesy: PO Jason Campbell spoke discourteously to \$87(2)(b)
• Allegation B: Discourtesy: PO Brandon Ravelo spoke discourteously to \$87(2)(b)
§ 87(2)(g)
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 Allegation C: Abuse of Authority: PO Johnny Rivera threatened with the use of force. Allegation D: Force: PO Johnny Rivera used physical force against \$87(2)(b)
§ 87(2)(g)
● § 87(4-b), § 87(2)(g)
Results of Investigation
<u>Civilian Statements</u>
Complainant/Victim: \$87(2)(b) • At the time of the incident, \$87(2)(b) was a \$87(2)(b) black male with black hair and brown eyes who stood 5'8'', 135 lbs.
CCRB Statements provided a telephone statement on March 29, 2012 (encl. 7). He was interviewed at the CCRB on April 2, 2012 (encl. 8). 887(2)(9)
At approximately 4:04 p.m. on February 26, 2012, PO Joseph Reeves and PO Vicente Gonzalez (both identified via investigation) arrested [807(2)(b)] in the rear of his building located at

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Complainant/Witness: § 87(2)(b)
• is the mother of $\$87(2)(b)$
Telephone Statement
reported this incident over the telephone on February 27, 2012 (encl. 6). reported that after \$87(2)(b) was handcuffed and placed inside a police van, PO Brandon Ravelo (identified via investigation and described by \$87(2)(b) as a uniformed white male with a round face whose shield number, 26010, \$87(2)(b) obtained from his shield) placed two hands around \$87(2)(b) s throat and choked him. \$87(2)(b) stated that she knocked on the window and recorded PO Ravelo on her cell phone. When \$87(2)(b) pointed her camera towards PO Ravelo, PO Ravelo waved at her. \$87(2)(b) did not report that \$87(2)(b) s face made contact with the window, and she did not report that he sustained any injuries, including a fractured tooth.
was contacted over the telephone on March 7, 2012, and she stated that the video footage she recorded did not capture anything that the police did to her son because she was distracted and was speaking to another officer outside of the van during the time that she pointed her cell phone towards the van with her left hand. On October 3, 2012, \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$ was reached again over the telephone and she scheduled an appointment to be interviewed at the CCRB on October 11, 2012. \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$ failed to appear for her interview on October 11, 2012. On January 14, 2013, \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$ was reached again over the telephone and she stated that she had no interest in rescheduling an appointment to be interviewed.
Witness: \$87(2)(b) • \$87(2)(b) was identified by \$87(2)(b) and \$87(2)(b) as a witness to this incident. He stated that he befriended \$87(2)(b) about seven months before the incident in question.
Telephone Statement S87(2)(b) provided a telephone statement on April 20, 2012 (encl. 9). S87(2)(b) stated that S7(2)(c) stated that S
sat on the front stoop of the building with \$87(2)(b) and heard \$87(2)(b) and her family, who were positioned near the police van. At the time, \$87(2)(b) and \$87(2)(b) were seated about ten feet away from the police van. \$87(2)(b) saw PO Rivera (identified via investigation) enter the van, grab \$87(2)(b) by the throat with two hands, and press his face one time against a rear window of the van that was facing the building that \$87(2)(b) was seated in front of. PO Rivera held his hands around \$87(2)(b) sthroat for about 90 seconds, during which time \$87(2)(b) continued screaming out of the van to \$87(2)(b) and her family. From where he was positioned, \$87(2)(b) could not hear what PO Rivera or any other officer on scene said to \$87(2)(b) and he did not hear PO Rivera threaten \$87(2)(b) with physical force. \$87(2)(b) never saw \$87(2)(b) bleeding.

Three voicemail messages were left for §87(2)(b) to schedule an interview at the CCRB between April 20, 2012, and April 17, 2013. In addition, two contact letters – which have not been returned to the CCRB via the United States Postal Service – were mailed to his address during the same time period. As of the date of this report, \$87(2)(5) has not contacted the CCRB. A search of the NYC Department of Corrections website on June 20, 2013, did not show that he was incarcerated. Witness: § 87(2)(b) § 87(2)(b) was identified via NYPD SPRINT as a witness to this incident. She is the step $mother\ of^{\frac{8}{87(2)(b)}}$ **Telephone Statement** provided a telephone statement on April 16, 2013 (encl. 10A). §87(2)(b) stated that § 87(2)(b) punched her in the face while § 87(2)(b) attacked her stepdaughter, § 87(2)(b) by placing his hands around her throat and strangling her. \$87(2)(b) defended herself by pulling \$87(2)(b) s hands off of her neck, and \$87(2)(b) by grabbing his arms. Neither § 87(2)(b) off of § 87(2)(b) § 87(2)(b) made physical contact with § 87(2)(b) s face, and § 87(2)(b) never saw § (b) bleeding and she never learned about him fracturing a tooth. stated that she grew fearful for the safety of her children and that she left the location and dialed 911 to report the assault. §87(2)(b) then went to a nearby store to obtain ice for her face, and as she did so she saw police officers running towards the building, but she stated that she did not see a police van. §87(2)(b) did not observe §87(2)(b) s physical apprehension, and she stated that she saw no interaction between §87(2)(b) and the police; did not see § 87(2)(6) being placed into a police van. Witness: § 87(2)(b) was identified by § 87(2)(b) and § 87(2)(b) as a witness to this incident. **Telephone Statement** provided a telephone statement on September 14, 2012 (encl. 10B), §37(2)(b) did not recall this incident, and she did not recall witnessing any arrests performed by the NYPD on the date in question or in the last year. §87(2)(b) stated that she had difficulty remembering what happened last week. She stated that she did not know anybody by the name \$87(2)(b) **Attempts to Contact Civilians** Between April 20, 2012, and October 1, 2012, the undersigned investigator called \$87(2)(b) and left three voicemail messages asking her to contact the CCRB. In addition, between February 20, 2013, and April 16, 2013, the undersigned investigator placed four telephone calls to [87(2)(b)] and § 87(2)(b) but was only able to leave one voicemail message asking them to contact the CCRB; the three other calls produced automated voices stating that the subscribers were not accepting calls. Contact letters – which have not been returned to the CCRB via the and § 87(2)(b) United States Postal Service – were mailed to § 87(2)(b) between October 1, 2012, and April 16, 2013. As of the date of this report, none of the aforementioned individuals has contacted the CCRB. Searches of the NYC Department of Corrections website on June 20, 2013, did not show that either individual was incarcerated.

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NYPD Statements:

Subject Officer: PO JOHNNY RIVERA

- At the time of the incident, PO Rivera was a 887(2)(b) -old Hispanic male with black hair and brown eyes who stood 5'9", 200 lbs.
- On February 26, 2012, PO Rivera was assigned to impact auto with PO Brandon Ravelo and PO Jason Campbell and he worked from 2:00 p.m. until 10:35 p.m. PO Rivera was dressed in uniform and he was assigned to RMP #8549, a marked van.

Memo Book

At 4:20 p.m. PO Rivera recorded that he transported one male to the stationhouse (encl. 15).

CCRB Statement

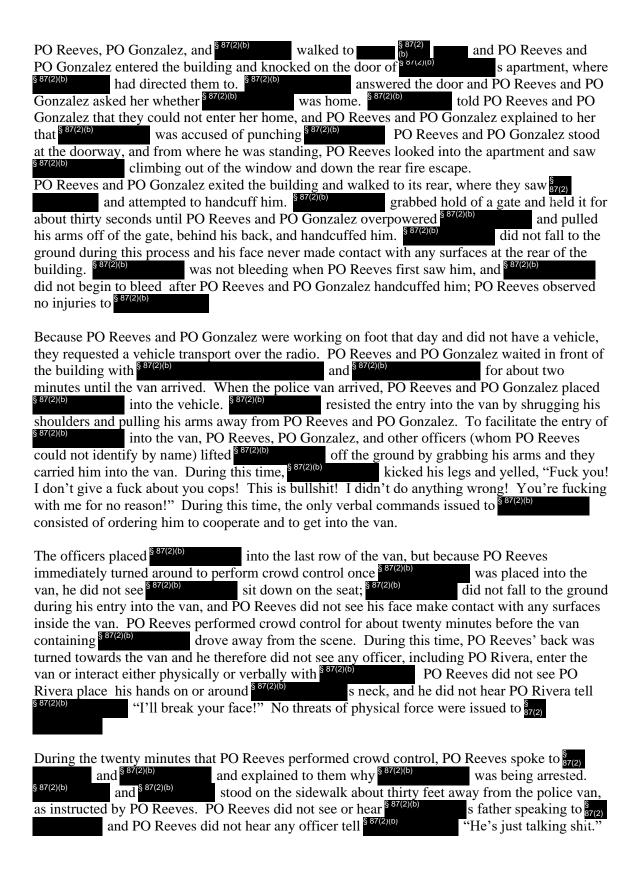
PO Rivera was interviewed at the CCRB on February 22, 2013 (encl. 17). PO Rivera prefaced his interview by stating that he did not recall the incident. He viewed the photograph of during his CCRB interview, but he stated that he did not recognize When provided with a brief synopsis of the incident, and when presented with the arrest report completed by PO Reeves, PO Rivera's memory was partially restored.

At approximately 4:20 p.m. on February 26, 2012, PO Rivera arrived with PO Campbell at [877(2)(5)] in response to a request for a prisoner transport. When PO Rivera arrived at the standing on the sidewalk with PO Joseph Reeves and PO location, he saw Vicente Gonzalez. Several of § 87(2)(b) s family members, including both males and females, were standing on the sidewalk outside the building, and \$87(2)(b) was yelling and cursing at a female, but PO Rivera could not recall exactly what [87(2)(b) said. PO Rivera did not recall observing any visible injuries to §87(2)(b) when he first saw him standing on the sidewalk and he did not recall seeing § 87(2)(b) bleeding. PO Rivera was not involved in placing [S 87(2)(b)] into the van, but PO Rivera stated that there was a physical struggle during that process. Because everything happened so fast, however, PO Rivera could not recall at the time of his CCRB interview which officers placed 8779 into the van, and he could not recall the details of the struggle. PO Rivera did not recall hearing any officers, including PO Ravelo and PO Campbell, issue any verbal commands to and he did not recall hearing either officer curse or use the word "shit" in speaking to him. PO Rivera stated that once §87(2)(b) was placed into the van, he sat down in the front passenger's seat of the van and either PO Ravelo or PO Campbell drove the van to the 47th Precinct stationhouse. PO Rivera did not recall if §87(2)(b) attempted to escape from the van or if he refused to remain seated inside the van. PO Rivera had no recollection of speaking to during this incident and he stated that he did not threaten to "break" 37(2) s face or threaten him with physical force. PO Rivera never placed his hands around § 87(2)(b) s neck or throat and he never pressed § 87(2)(b) s face against a window in the rear of the van. PO Rivera stated that he had no physical contact with \$87(2)(b)

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s face make contact with any surface inside the van, including a window.
PO Rivera did not recall observing any injuries to \$87(2)(6) and he did not recall seeing bleeding from his mouth or spitting a fragment of his tooth out. PO Rivera did not recall hearing \$87(2)(6) complain about being injured or having his tooth fractured. Subject Officer: PO JASON CAMPBELL • At the time of the incident, PO Campbell was a \$87(2)(6) cold bald-headed black male with brown eyes who stood 6'1", 230 lbs. • On February 26, 2012, PO Campbell was assigned to impact auto with PO Brandon Ravelo and PO Johnny Rivera and he worked from 2:00 p.m. until 10:35 p.m. PO Campbell was dressed in uniform and he was assigned to RMP #5849, a marked van.
Memo Book At 4:20 p.m., PO Campbell transported one male to the 47 th Precinct stationhouse (<i>encl. 18</i>).
CCRB Statement PO Campbell was interviewed at the CCRB on April 24, 2013 (encl. 20). PO Campbell recalled few of the details regarding this incident. PO Campbell stated, based on his entries in his memo book, that he transported one black male to the 47 th Precinct stationhouse at approximately 4:20 p.m. on February 26, 2012. PO Campbell did not know why the male was arrested or which officer arrested him.
Upon arrival at the location, PO Campbell saw sorce in handcuffs and he saw a crowd of approximately ten pedestrians gather near him. PO Campbell did not recall how sorce was positioned when he arrived on scene (i.e. either standing, seated on the sidewalk, etc.). PO Campbell did not recall which officers were on scene when he arrived, and specifically, he did not recall seeing either PO Vicente Gonzalez or PO Joseph Reeves on scene.
PO Campbell stated that his primary role on scene was performing crowd control and preventing the pedestrians gathered near the police van from interfering with the placement of strong into the van. Members of the crowd spoke to strong but PO Campbell could not recall what they said to him. PO Campbell did not recall any comments that strong made either to the crowd of pedestrians or to officers on scene.
Two officers (whom PO Campbell could not identify) placed \$87(2)(b) into the van. \$87(2)(b) resisted this movement by moving his elbows, slouching his body, and refusing to move forward. PO Campbell did not see PO Johnny Rivera place his hands onto \$87(2)(b) and PO Campbell stated that neither he nor PO Rivera participated in the placement of \$87(2)(b) into the vehicle.
was placed onto the last row of seats inside the van and he was compliant in sitting down. PO Campbell did not recall if \$87(2)(b) made any movements after being seated inside the vehicle or whether he lifted himself back onto his feet once he was seated. PO Campbell denied that he or any other officer on scene, including PO Ravelo, told \$87(2)(b) "Sit down, it's not that serious. He's just talking shit." PO Campbell stated that he had no recollection of PO Rivera speaking to \$87(2)(b) or making any physical contact with him. He denied hearing PO Rivera issue \$87(2)(b) any threats of physical force, and he denied hearing PO Rivera tell \$87(2)(b) that he would "break his face." PO Campbell did not see

PO Rivera place his hands around ser(2)(5) s throat or neck, or press his face against a window inside the van.
Once \$87(2)(b) was placed into the rear of the van, the officers closed the door and PO Ravelo drove the van to the 47 th Precinct stationhouse. Upon arrival at the stationhouse, PO Campbell escorted \$37(2)(b) into the stationhouse and he left \$37(2)(b) standing in front of the front desk with the desk sergeant before returning to his van and resuming patrol. PO Campbell never saw \$87(2)(b) bleeding and he observed no injuries to his face. PO Campbell did not see \$87(2)(b) spit out a fragment of his tooth, and \$87(2)(b) never complained to him about his teeth. PO Campbell did not know if \$87(2)(b) received medical treatment.
Witness Officer: PO JOSEPH REEVES
At the time of the incident, PO Reeves was a \$87(2)(b) -old Hispanic male with black hair and brown eyes who stood 5'9", 240 lbs.
• On February 26, 2012, PO Reeves was assigned to Impact Foot Post #1-4, located on White Plains Road and Barnes Avenue between E. 222nd Street and E. 217 th Street. PO Reeves was dressed in uniform and he worked from 2:00 p.m. until 10:35 p.m.
Memo Book
At 3:45 p.m., PO Reeves recorded that an assault in progress-family job at was dispatched over the radio (<i>encl. 11</i>). PO Reeves recorded that arrested at 4:04 p.m. for strangulation and assault-3.
Arrest-Related Documents PO Reeves completed the online booking sheet arrest report for report notes that sar(2)(b) went to went to serious assaulted sar(2)(b) went to serious to him, and that sar(2)(b) assaulted sar(2)(b) by punching her, shoving her, and choking her by placing his hands around her neck and obstructing her breathing. was charged with sar(2)(b) was charged with sar(2)(b) s physical condition was "apparently normal" and that no force was used in apprehending him.
PO Reeves was interviewed at the CCRB on February 20, 2013 (encl. 14). At approximately 3:45 p.m. on February 26, 2012, PO Reeves and PO Gonzalez were inside a pizzeria near the intersection of E. 218th Street and White Plains Road in the Bronx when (identified via investigation) entered the pizzeria and told PO Reeves and PO Gonzalez that his daughter was being assaulted at a building located on (b)
PO Reeves and PO Gonzalez walked to the intersection of and saw stricture (identified via investigation) standing at the intersection with a bruise to her face. PO Reeves asked what happened, and stricture (identified via investigation) standing at the intersection with a bruise to her face. PO Reeves asked what happened, and stricture (identified via investigation) standing at the intersection with a bruise to her face. PO Reeves that her boyfriend, stricture (identified via investigation) standing at the intersection with a bruise to her face. PO Reeves that she defended herself only by pushing stricture (identified via investigation) standing at the intersection with a bruise to her face. PO Reeves that she defended herself only by pushing stricture (identified via investigation) standing at the intersection with a bruise told PO Reeves that she defended herself only by pushing stricture (identified via investigation) standing at the intersection with a bruise told PO Reeves that she defended herself only by pushing stricture (identified via investigation) standing at the intersection with a bruise told PO Reeves that she defended herself only by pushing stricture (identified via investigation) standing at the intersection with a bruise told PO Reeves that she defended herself only by pushing stricture (identified via investigation) standing at the intersection with a bruise told PO Reeves that she defended herself only by pushing stricture (identified via investigation) standing at the intersection with a bruise told PO Reeves that she defended herself only by pushing standing at the intersection with a bruise told PO Reeves that she defended herself only by pushing stricture (identified via investigation) standing at the intersection with a bruise told PO Reeves that she defended herself only by pushing standing at the intersection with a bruise told PO Reeves that she defended herself only by pushing stricture (identified via investigation) standing at the intersection with a bruise told PO Reeves that sh



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§ 87(2)(b)	was not bleeding wh	nen PO Reeves saw h	im at the stationhouse	, and PO Reeves had	
no knowle	dge of § 87(2)(b)	sustaining any inju	ries. § 87(2)(b)	did not receive medical	
treatment v	while in police custod	y, and he made no st	atements to PO Reeve	s about his teeth or	
about his face being pressed against a window inside the van.					

Subject Officer: PO BRANDON RAVELO

- At the time of the incident, PO Ravelo was a [87(2)(b)] -old white male with black hair and brown eyes who stood 5'7", 200 lbs.
- On February 26, 2012, PO Ravelo was assigned to Impact Auto with PO Jason Campbell and PO Johnny Rivera and he worked from 2:00 p.m. until 11:35 p.m. PO Ravelo was dressed in uniform and he was assigned to RMP #5849, a marked van.

Subject Officer: PO VICENTE GONZALEZ

- At the time of the incident, PO Gonzalez was a \$87(2)(b) -old Hispanic male with black hair and brown eyes who stood 6'4", 250 lbs.
- On February 26, 2012, PO Gonzalez was assigned to Impact Foot Post #5-7 and he worked alone in uniform from 2:00 p.m. until 10:35 p.m.

Memo Book

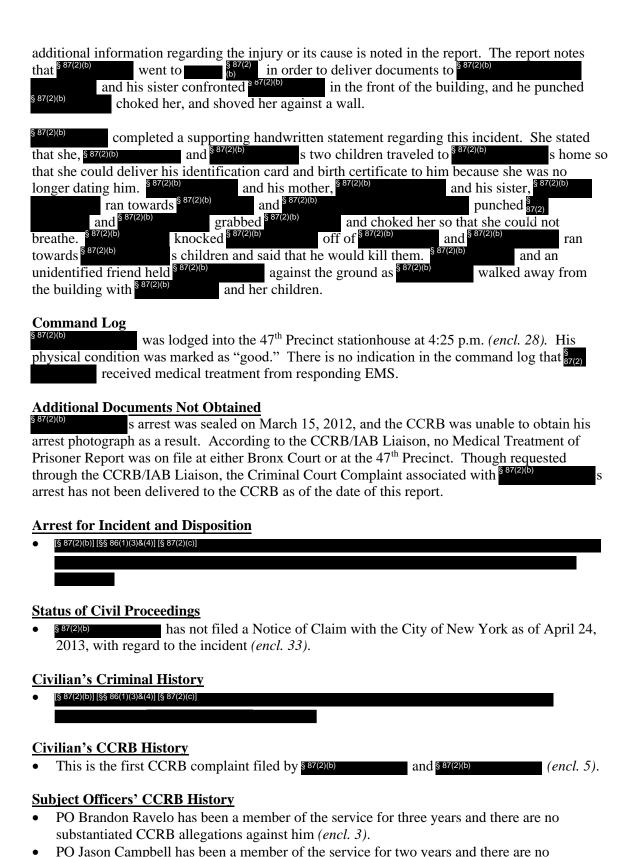
At 4:20 p.m., PO Ravelo marked that he transported one male to the 47th Precinct stationhouse (encl. 21). PO Gonzalez did not record any entries in his memo book relevant to this incident (encl. 24).

CCRB Statements

PO Ravelo was interviewed at the CCRB on May 6, 2013 (*encl. 23*). PO Gonzalez was interviewed at the CCRB on April 30, 2013 (*encl. 25*). Neither officer recalled this incident and their memories were not restored when presented with the arrest report completed by PO Joseph Reeves and with a brief synopsis of the incident. Each officer viewed the photograph of Reeves and with a brief synopsis of the incident. Each officer viewed the photograph of CCRB interviews, but they stated that they did not recognize him.

NYPD Documents
SPRINT #§ 87(2)(b)
SPRINT records show that \$87(2)(b) called 911 at 3:51 p.m. and reported that \$87(2)(b)
was following her and \$87(2)(b) and was about to attack them (encl. 26).
Officers assigned to foot post #1 responded to the location and marked that \$87(2)(b) was
arrested at 4:04 p.m. EMS responded to the 47 th Precinct stationhouse and treated both
\$ 87(2)(b) and \$ 87(2)(b) for injuries caused by \$ 87(2)(b)
Domestic Incident Report
PO Christopher Salley of the 47th Precinct completed a domestic incident report for this incident
(encl. 27). §87(2)(b) was identified in the report as the victim and §87(2)(b) was
identified in the report as the suspect. PO Salley noted that \$87(2)(b) sustained an
unknown injury to his bottom lip and that he did not receive medical treatment for the injury; no

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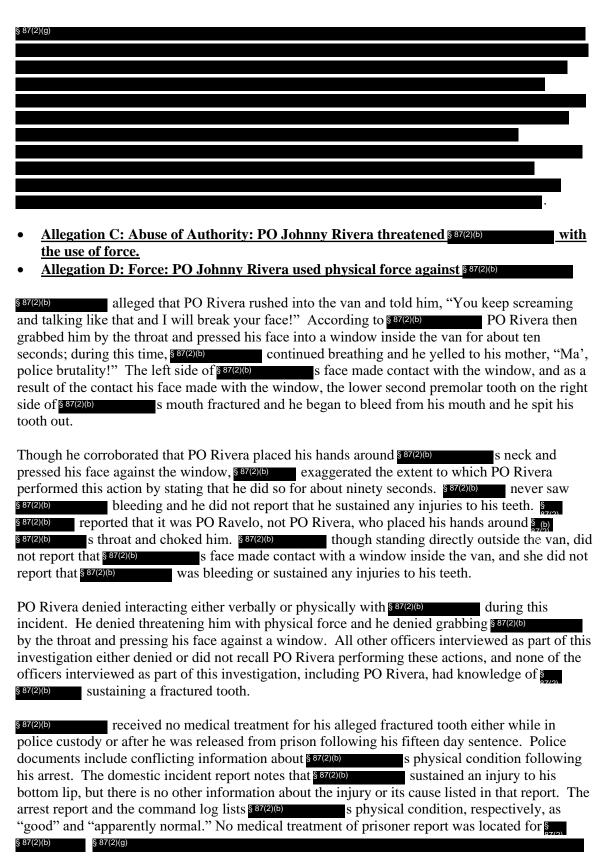
substantiated CCRB allegations against him (encl. 2).

- PO Johnny Rivera has been a member of the service for two years and there are no substantiated CCRB allegations against him (encl. 4A).
- PO Vicente Gonzalez has been a member of the service for three years and there are no substantiated CCRB allegations against him (encl. 4B).

Conclusion

<u>Identification of Subject Officers</u>
§ § 87(2)(g)
Allegations Not Pleaded
alleged in his telephone statement that PO Rivera told him, "Shut the fuck up or
I'll break your face." When interviewed at the CCRB, however, \$87(2)(b) only alleged that
PO Rivera threatened to "break" his face. \$87(2)(9)
§ 87(2)(g)
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Investigative Findings and Recommendations
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Allegation B: Discourtesy: PO Brandon Ravelo spoke discourteously to 887(2)(b)
stated that in response to him telling PO Campbell and PO Ravelo that he would
"beat" \$87(2)(b) PO Campbell and PO Ravelo both told him, "Sit down. It's not that serious,
he's just talking shit." § 87(2)(9)
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§ 87(2)(g)		
The photograph of \$87(2)(b) a month after \$87(2)(b) s tooth became dislodged.	, depicts blood at the site w	he CCRB on April 2, 2012, over nere the portion of
§ 87(2)(g)		
contain any footage of what the office camera with her left hand towards the According to \$87(2)(b) both the phone and the footage contain was therefore never obtained by the in	ers allegedly did to her son be van as she spoke to an office dropped her cell phoned within it. The video for	cer outside of the van. one in the toilet and damaged
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Investigator:	_ Jonathan Phillips	
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